UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JEANINE A. SORTISIO and STEVEN R. SORTISIO,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PETER ACCETTA, M.D., SUSAN M. PETERSON, RPA-C, ASTELLAS PHRAMA US, INC., and NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 09-cv-00176RJA

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DEFENDANT NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION'S JOINDER IN DEFENDANT ASTELLAS PHARMA US, INC.'S MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO REMAND

Defendant Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation ("NPC") hereby joins in Defendant

Astellas Pharma US, Inc.'s Memorandum In Opposition To Plaintiffs' Motion To Remand, filed
on this same date, in the above-captioned matter.

DATED: May 8, 2009

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 8th day of May 2009, I electronically filed Defendant Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation's Joinder In Defendant Astellas Pharma US, Inc.'s Memorandum In opposition To Plaintiffs' Motion To Remand with the Clerk of the District Court using the CM/ECF system which sent notification of such filing to the following:

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